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For:	DEVICE STRUCTURES INCLUDING RUTHENIUM SILICIDE DIFFUSION BARRIER LAYERS			

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 10, 2006, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from April 10, 2006 to May 10, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$120 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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